

**HIGH TECHNOLOGY THEFT  
APPREHENSION & PROSECUTION PROGRAM  
Component: 50.30.562, 40.30.562**

**PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

Authorized pursuant to California Penal Code § 13848-13848.8, the High Technology Theft Apprehension and Prosecution (HTTAP) Program provides direction and funding for five regional high technology (HT) crimes and identity theft (HD) task forces in addition to three related support and training projects.

As a part of the HTTAP Program, funds are allocated to the California District Attorney's Association for the development and implementation of a statewide education and training program for public prosecutors, investigators, and law enforcement officers relating to deterring, investigating and prosecuting high technology-related crimes.

The HTTAP Program also allocates funds to the California Department of Justice (DOJ) to provide assistance with multi-jurisdictional identity theft case development and prosecution within the High Technology Identity Theft Units of the California High Technology Task Force.

Another portion of the HTTAP Program funds are allocated to the California DOJ Advanced Training Center to establish statewide programs of education, training, and research for investigators and law enforcement officers relating to the deterrence, investigation, and prosecution of high technology-related crimes. In FY 2009/10, the DOJ Advanced Training Center moved into grant award agreement with Cal EMA from a previously established inter-agency agreement.

California Penal Code § 13848.6 establishes the High Technology Crime Advisory Committee (HTCAC) for the purpose of formulating a comprehensive written strategy for addressing priorities involving most high technology crime in California. Regional High Technology Crime Task Forces implement the strategy, which utilizes law enforcement procedures and digital evidence to investigate, apprehend and prosecute criminal organizations, networks and individuals engaged in the unlawful access, destruction, counterfeit and theft of data. Specified violations of the California Penal Code apply. Committee members are designees from law enforcement and the private high technology industry. Committee members meet quarterly to review and discuss the effectiveness of the California High Technology Crime Task Forces in their effort toward deterring, investigating and prosecuting high technology crimes.

With the support of the HTCAC, in FY 2009/10, the Identity Theft funds were merged with the High Technology grants within each of the five regional task forces. As the criminal trends differ between regions, this collaboration of funds is an effort to give more spending flexibility to the field, allowing each task force to focus their funds on priority needs of their particular region.

Cal EMA has recently been informed that the estimated amount generated in LSPA funds for FY 2009/2010 is significantly less than the \$55 million anticipated. The Department of Finance recently estimated LSPA funds for FY 2009/2010 in the range of \$35 - \$39 million; or slightly more than two-thirds of what was originally estimated. Unfortunately, this program was put into grant award agreement utilizing the \$55 million LSPA amount. At this time, Cal EMA does not have any information concerning the availability of funds for the above referenced programs for FY 2010/2011.

## FUNDS AWARDED

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Types of Funding</u>	<u>Total Funding</u>
FY 2008/09	High Tech Trust Fund FY 2008	\$ 6,981,999
	Local Safety Protection Account (LSPA) FY 2008	\$ 2,703,000
FY 2009/10	Local Safety Protection Account (LSPA) FY 2009	\$ 11,533,000
FY 2010/11		Unknown

## 2008/09 PERFORMANCE STATISTICS

### High Technology Theft Apprehension and Prosecution Program (HT)

<u>1,466</u>	High technology crimes investigated.
<u>61</u>	Cases filed.
<u>157</u>	Number of arrests.
<u>53</u>	Number of convictions.
<u>848</u>	Number of victims involved in cases filed.
<u>\$ 14,450,192</u>	Total monetary loss to victims.

### Identity Theft (HD)

<u>492</u>	Identity theft cases investigated.
<u>614</u>	Cases filed involved identity theft.
<u>365</u>	Number of convictions.
<u>1,572,655</u>	Number of victims involved in cases filed.
<u>\$ 22,365,829</u>	Total monetary loss to victims.
<u>22</u>	Total courses conducted for Law Enforcement.
<u>446</u>	Total Law Enforcement trained.
<u>65</u>	Total courses conducted for the public.
<u>2813</u>	Total public trained.

## 2009/10 PERFORMANCE STATISTICS

Not Available

## 2010/11 PERFORMANCE STATISTICS

Not Available